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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Lionel FOMPERIE, Pascal AMIGOUET, Faiza BERGAYA,

and Tushar MANDALIA entitled A NANOCOMPOSITE BASED ON A BRIDGED CLAY, AND A CABLE COMPRISING SAID COMPOSITE

Assignee: NEXANSOur Ref: Q77844



This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/866,836 (Confirmation No. 7249) filed May 30, 2001, of Lionel FOMPERIE, Pascal AMIGOUET, Faiza BERGAYA, and Tushar MANDALIA entitled A NANOCOMPOSITE BASED ON A BRIDGED CLAY, AND A CABLE COMPRISING SAID COMPOSITE.

October 21, 2003

This divisional application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, one (1) drawing sheet, a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. The statutory filing fee will be submitted at a later date.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2831 and Examiner Chau Nguyen.

Foreign priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u> <u>Application No</u>

Filing Date

France

0007017

May 31, 2000

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/866,836.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims
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 $\$86.00 = \frac{\$.00}{\$770.00}$

TOTAL FILING FEE

\$770.00



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The statutory filing fee of \$770.00 will be submitted at a later date.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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